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GAME

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Commissioner for Patents

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

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## REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed on July 26, 2004. No fees are due with this Response. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-1818 for any insufficiency or credit for any overpayment.

In the Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, which required applicant to elect one of the following:

Species 1: Figs. 10-15 (claims 1-13 and 26-32) drawn to determining outcome based on the designated combination and the selected puzzle pieces.

Species 2: Fig. 18 (claims 14-25 and 33-42) drawn to determining outcome based on row and column award associated with the designated combination and the selected puzzle pieces.

Applicant hereby elects Species 1: Figs. 10-15 (claims 1-13 and 26-32) without traverse, for examination on the merits.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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